

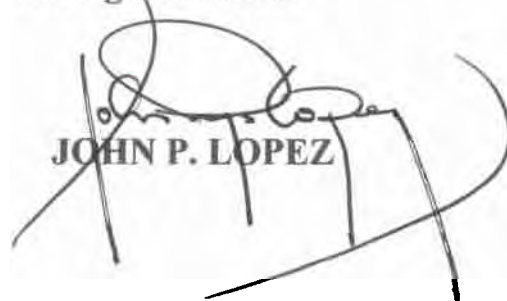


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On April 22nd 1970 America celebrated the first Earth Day. Today, 36 years later it has grown from the idea of one American, Senator Gaylord Nelson, to become an international recognized event. This is a day for each of us to reflect on our unique South West Georgia environment and our precious global natural resources that have been entrusted to us and to commit ourselves to doing what we can as a Base, and as individuals, to help keep our environment clean and healthy.

As a government agency, the local community, State, and Federal regulators closely observe our activities and how they impact the environment. Through a proactive and comprehensive environmental program of Compliance, Pollution Prevention, Conservation, Education, Public Outreach, and a Base-wide Environmental Management System, we are demonstrating our commitment to being good stewards of the environment.

On this 36th anniversary of Earth Day, I would like to challenge the Marines, Sailors, and Civilian Marines aboard the base to ask themselves, "What am I doing, both at work and at home; to protect the environment we are so fortunate to have to preserve it for future generations?"


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